



CUSTOMER NUMBER 27792

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Browne et al. Attorney Docket No: MICR0243
Serial No: 09/883,805 Group Art Unit: 2176
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Title: METHOD FOR CREATING AN EMBEDDED DATABASE IN A
SPREADSHEET

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Bellevue, Washington 98004

June 24, 2005

TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE:

In response to the Final Office Action dated May 05, 2005, applicants request that the above-identified application be amended as set forth below and that the Examiner reconsider the application for which a Request for Continued Examination is concurrently being filed, in view of these amendments and the Remarks that follow. The claims are amended as set forth below.